

TRING TO SAVE SEVEN VILLISTAS

Attorneys Want Death Sentence of the Columbus Raiders Commuted.

Hugh H. Wood, of Carrizosa, N. M., the attorney for the seven Villistas bandits sentenced to be executed at Deming, N. M., on May 19, for the murder of C. D. Miller, growing out of the Columbus raid, arrived in El Paso Monday and with E. C. Wade, Jr., of El Paso, is working for a commutation of the sentence.

Mr. Wood states that the hanging of the seven Villistas is out of question because the evidence of the case clearly shows that these men lacked the malice and intent that must support a verdict of murder in the first degree.

Guilt is Technical. "Their guilt," said Mr. Wood, "if any, is purely technical, because their participation in the raid on Columbus was due to the fact that they were conscripts, and not volunteers; that in case they refused to obey Villis or any of his subordinate officers they would be killed up and shot."

"These men are illiterate and did not know in what part of Mexico they were; knew nothing whatever of geography; therefore they did not know that they were at Columbus or were on American soil."

"Admitted Being in Columbus. The fact that they were at Columbus, they themselves admitted in the trial of their cases; and it was this evidence that supported the verdict of first degree. This is the reason that the verdict and sentence of court is predicated upon a purely technical guilt."

"A few persons have volunteered to render what financial assistance they can in order that these men may have their cases properly presented for executive clemency."

Mr. Wood will be in El Paso for several days. The presentation of the case to Gov. W. H. Clegg will take place within a short time, Mr. Wood stated.

ADMIRAL FISKE ROASTS DANIELS

Washington, D. C., May 2.—Vice president Marshall, in doubt as to the propriety of making public a communication to the senate criticizing an official of the United States, declined to hand down a letter addressed to the senate by rear admiral Bradley Fiske, assistant secretary of the navy, and referred it to the naval committee for consideration.

The Fiske letter contains a denial of secretary Daniels' statement in a communication to the senate April 21 that a letter from admiral Fiske warning the navy department of his unprepared state never had been furnished him.

Daniels Denied Knowing of Letter. "This communication was not furnished me, and I did not know of its existence until long after it was written," wrote Mr. Daniels on April 21. "I find upon inquiry that it was filed with the chief clerk without my knowledge that it had been written. Although rear admiral Fiske was in my office daily, he did not tell me that he had placed the communication on file."

Says Daniels Read It. In his letter to the senate today, admiral Fiske declared he personally handed secretary Daniels a copy of his paper on unpreparedness, watched him read it, and says others can testify to the occurrence.

Admiral Fiske asked for an opportunity to be heard on the subject, but it is not granted, he asked that his letter to the senate be published.

JAPANESE ENGINEER TO STUDY SOUTHWESTERN MINES. Haruyoshi Tomita, a Japanese mining engineer, arrived here Tuesday to make a study of mining conditions in the southwest. He is at the Paso del Norte.

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WOMEN CHURCH MEMBERS MEET

Eleventh Presbyterian Meeting Opens at Westminster Church.

The 11th annual Presbyterian society meeting of the Southern Presbyterian church of the El Paso Presbytery opened at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon in the Westminster Presbyterian church.

Mrs. E. S. Van Taylor, of Colorado, Texas, the president of the Presbyterian society, presided and conducted the devotional quiet hour. Mrs. Susan M. James made the address of greeting to the delegates and Mrs. W. C. Barnett, of Big Springs, responded. The officers made their reports and representatives reported for their church societies.

Rev. A. D. Hitt, of Hatch, N. M., made an address on the women's work in China. A meeting tonight will begin at 8 o'clock and will open with devotional services. Miss Belle White will sing and Rev. A. D. Hitt will make an address.

At the meeting Wednesday morning round table discussion of mission work will be led by Mrs. Blanche Brown, of Pecos. Mrs. A. Moseley, of Van Horn, will talk on missions in Central America. Mrs. Chris E. Dilling will lead the quiet hour at the close of the meeting. At the afternoon session Wednesday the devotional and quiet hour will be led by Mrs. W. H. Lane. The children from the Women's story Mexican mission will sing. Mrs. R. S. Van Taylor will read a number of letters from missionaries. At 5:15 o'clock the delegates will be taken on an automobile ride about the city with Mrs. J. H. Grant in charge. At eight o'clock in the evening there will be an address. "The Presbyterian and what it should mean to both the local society and the church," given by Mrs. C. G. Dilling. Miss Anna Axton will sing. Rev. C. H. Womeldorf will talk on the "Mexican Mission in El Paso."

On Thursday morning the meeting will open with a questionaire conducted by Mrs. J. H. Logan. Mrs. Van Taylor will talk on the women's advisory committee. Following this there will be a round table discussion of home missions. Mrs. Paul Heerman will conduct the quiet hour. In the afternoon, Mrs. J. C. Wied will speak on the Sunday school work. Mrs. P. A. Hazard will speak on "Christian Education and Ministerial Relief." The committee will make their report. The delegates will talk on "How This Presbyterian has helped me." Mrs. Van Taylor will conduct the closing quiet hour.

MISS ROMERO WINS GOLD MEDAL IN TEMPERANCE CONTEST

Miss Concha Romero won the gold medal in the gold medal temperance contest Monday night at the Southern Methodist Mexican church. This gold medal contest was the climax of a series of silver medal contests which the Mexican Temperance alliance has been holding.

The contestants, all of whom had won silver medals in previous contests, were: Misses Concha Romero, Eliza Macedonazo and Carolina Saenz and Annelito Bañista, Jose Duran, Pablo Velasco and Juan C. Candeo.

The final contest was attended by a crowd of people in spite of the weather and the condition of the streets on the south side. The gold medal was presented to Miss Romero by H. H. Burke, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. who made an appropriate address, complimenting the alliance on its work. Braulio Hernandez announced the decision of the judges and analyzed the performance of each contestant. He was followed by Prof. Blatz, who made a talk on temperance and morality and referred to them as the foundations of music by a chorus and also instrumental music by various organizations.

Music was a feature of the program, the musicians being drawn from the different Mexican churches of the city. The Temperance alliance is planning to continue its work in June under the direction of Mrs. Emma Chaffee Taylor.

TWO AMERICAN RELIEF STEAMERS SENT TO BOTTOM

London, Eng., May 2.—Two vessels under charter to the American Red Cross for the relief of Belgium, the Swedish steamship Fridland, and the British steamer Hendonhall, have been sunk within two days.

TODAY'S AMUSEMENTS

DUSTIN FARNUM-ALHAMBRA. Dustin Farnum is appearing at the Alhambra today in a Paramount production of the famous romantic play of "David Garrick." At the time of the story the acting profession in England was held in contempt and considered beneath the notice of decent people. David Garrick was beginning his reformation of the stage, and was recognized as a gentleman by the aristocracy. While playing in "Romeo and Juliet" at the Theatre Francaise, he sees in the audience a girl with whom he immediately falls in love. The girl is also attracted and after the performance drops her handkerchief from her sedan chair for Garrick to return. From this incident, the story continues in interest that combines humor, pathos and passion, which builds up to a delightful ending.—Adv.

AT THE EUREKA. "Hop, The Devil's Brew," will be shown today at the Eureka theater. It features Phillips Smalley, and Louis Weber and will tell with the comic assistance of the United States customs officials. It pictures the flight of a criminal and his escape and is reproduced in authentic detail in the brilliant bluebird photoplay. This play shows scenes depicting battling with the drug, the opium distributing den, the painful results of the drug habit, and shows why Mrs. Wm. K. Vanderbilt gives her time and money to crushing out the traffic in deadly habit-forming drugs, morphine, heroin, cocaine, and deadliest of all—opium. The government and humanitarian units in giving relentless battle to the beasts who prey upon the unfortunate.—Adv.

"FRANCIS X. BUSHMAN" AT BIJOU. A big bill is offered at the Bijou today. Francis X. Bushman will be seen in a special release, "The Elder Brother," and the "Selig-Tribune" will show "Pioneer Days," El Paso, Texas, our prominent business and professional men, headed by mayor Tom Lea, Cal. Taylor and Sheriff Edwards, enlisting for military service. Tomorrow and Thursday the event of the week in the movies, "The Salamander," a great production from Owen Johnson's greatest series, will be shown. Don't miss this feature.—Adv.

THE UNIQUE. Charlie Chaplin is in the Unique's program today in a two reeler, entitled, "His Trysting Place," one of Charlie's best comedies. Tomorrow, Frank Daniels in one of "The Escapades of Mr. Jack" comedies, will be on the program, Saturday and Sunday, "Her Great Price" will be the special attraction. Next Monday, "The Next Do-Well," in ten acts, by Rex Beach, will begin a four days' engagement. This is a worthy successor to "The Spoilers."—Adv.

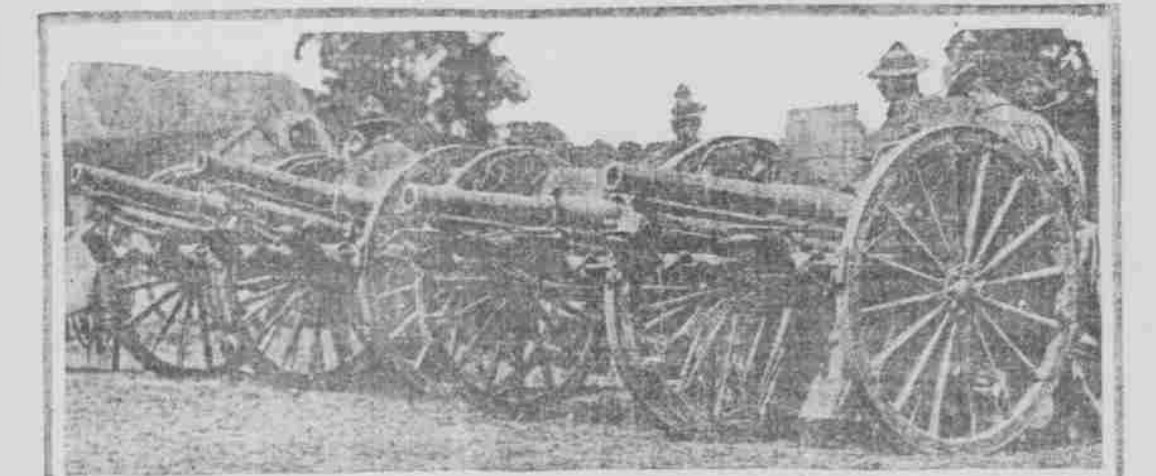
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U. S. SOLDIERS ENCAMPED AND ENTRENCHED IN MEXICO



AMERICAN TRENCH AT BOCA GRANDE. At the left of the picture are shown some of the tents of the camp with the blankets out for a sunning and airing. At the right is a section of a trench, reinforced with logs.

SOME PILLS FOR BANDIT VILLA



THREE AND FOUR INCH FIELD PIECES IN MEXICO.

METHODISTS ARE HUNT USES IN FAST GROWING NEWSPAPER VOTE ARE ON TRIAL

Membership Increases 300,000 to 400,000 Every Four Years. Saratoga Springs, N. Y., May 2.—The membership of the Methodist Episcopal denomination has increased between 300,000 and 400,000 every four years for more than half a century, according to the Episcopal address of the board of bishops, read at today's session of the Methodist general conference by bishop John W. Hamilton of Boston.

The Episcopal, an address, which is the formal utterance of the bishops of the church, reviewed the work of the denomination since the Minneapolis conference of 1912 and made recommendations concerning future labors. It emphasized the responsibility and opportunity resulting from the European war saying:

"The occasion requires the keenest discernment and most tolerant appreciation of the opinions and feelings in the several belligerent nations. The plan adopted four years ago of trying out the residential supervision on the part of the bishops, which each bishop was in charge of the annual conference, continues to his episcopal residence, has benefited the bishops' feet in the world, and is desirable to group several such episcopal areas. It tends, the address states, to limit the experience and knowledge of the bishops to restricted spheres."

The proposal to reunite the Methodist Episcopal church and the Methodist Episcopal church, South, which divided over the question of slavery, is approved in the address.

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3 PISTOLS TAKEN FROM THE TIMES

Mexican Confesses He Took Them From Locker Rooms.

Three pistols were stolen from the mailing room lockers of the Morning Times office by M. E. Tarango, according to his confession made to the police Monday night. The robbery was committed last Friday, he stated, and he was arrested Monday afternoon, admitted taking the pistols and told the police where they could find one of the pistols. The pistol was located where he said it could be found in a second hand store. He is being held on a charge of burglary. The pistols belonged to A. Cohen and Martin Pomeroy.

The home of Paul Heerman, 505 East Rio Grande street was robbed at nine o'clock Monday night and took a quantity of silverware from the dining room of the home. The burglars entered through a rear door.

A set of harness for a buggy was stolen from the back yard at the home of M. O. Vasquez, 919 South 24th street Monday night.

A horse and buggy owned by Maurice Shank was stolen from the corner of Eighth and Santa Fe streets Monday night. It was recovered later by mounted officers.

BOY "AUTHOR" HERE. Paul Mahoney, probably the youngest author in the United States, accompanied by his mother, the wife of a prominent Boston attorney, is registered at the Del Norte. He is making a tour of the country and will give his views and experiences in a book to be published by Mrs. Mahoney, under the title "America Seen Through Nine Year Old Eyes."

GREAT BRITAIN WILL NOT RELAX BLOCKADE ORDERS

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The foreign office that there would be no further relaxation of blockade orders forbidding exportation of German goods through Holland unless purchased or contracted for prior to March 1, 1915. Pressure has been brought to secure recognition of contracts made as late as March 15, the date of publication of the blockade order.

Sir Edward Grey advised the embassy that no extension can be considered. His reply was regarded as final.

FIREMAN LOSES HIS LIFE AS BRITISH SHIP SINKS

London, Eng., May 2.—The British steamship, City of Rochester, has been sunk. One fireman was lost. The remainder of the crew was saved.

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